IAP15 Rec'd PCT/PTO 10 JAN 2006

Docket: 187443/US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor:

Hanspeter Heiniger

Appln. No.:

Unknown

Filing Date:

Herewith

Title:

Drive Device and Method for Advancing an

Advancing Element

Examiner:

Unknown

Group Art Unit:

Unknown

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.